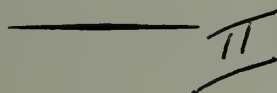


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RURAL DISTRICT OF KINGSCLERE AND WHITCHURCH

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

October, 1964.

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District Council:-

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of the district for the year 1963.

The Registrar General's estimate of the mid-year population of the district is 24,570 an increase of 860 persons over 1962. The natural increase of population i.e. the net gain of births over deaths was 260, so the other 600 persons must have transferred to this area.

The Vital Statistics are little different from previous years although the live birth rate was 21 per thousand population compared with 18.2 for England and Wales.

The death rate at 12.48 was a little bit higher than that for England and Wales at 12.2 but the still-birth and infantile mortality rates were lower.

The first three months of 1963 were the coldest for many years and thick snow covered many roads especially high up on the downs, and this cold weather no doubt accounted for the increase of respiratory diseases and deaths.



During 1963 the construction of the new mortuary was started and it is now completed. It is a very well designed mortuary and will be of great use for people who die in small houses while they await burial or cremation.

There is also a post-mortem room where any pathologist or doctor can investigate the causes of death and also a cooling cupboard which takes three bodies. In addition there is a waiting room for relatives and also a small chapel where bodies can be viewed by relatives. In my opinion it is the finest mortuary that I have ever seen anywhere.

During the year discussions continued with Andover Rural District Council for the Bourne Valley Sewerage Scheme. In addition plans were formulated for sewerage in the Ecchinswell and Sydmonton area and in the north western area, including Highclere, Burghclere, Woolton Hill, East Woodhay and East End. Plans have also been made to increase the Baughurst sewerage in 1970.

Once again, I have to thank the Chief Public Health Inspector for his report on the sanitary circumstances of the District, also all the staff of the Public Health Department for their continued assistance during the year - especially my secretary, Miss M. B. Lowman.

I should also like to thank the Chairman and Members of the Council for their co-operation and encouragement.

I remain, Mr. Chairman,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant

*R. Howard*  
Medical Officer of Health.



General Statistics  
(1962 figures in brackets)

Area (in acres)	77,394	(77,394)
Registrar General's estimate of mid-year population	24,570	(23,710)
1961 Census figure	23,264	
Number of inhabited houses	7,566	(7,400)
Rateable Value	£699,753	(£250,669)
Sum represented by penny rate	£2836.17s.9d	(£1006.5s.5d)

The population trend of Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District  
is as follows:-

1955	19,180	1959	21,490
1956	19,350	1960	21,680
1957	20,390	1961	23,430
1958	21,230	1962	23,710
	1963	24,570	

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Vital Statistics

		<u>Births</u>	
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Total Live Births	527	274	253
Legitimate Live Births	503	260	243
Illegitimate Live Births	24	14	10
Still Births	8	4	4

Birth Rates

	<u>Kingsclere &amp; Whitchurch</u>	<u>England &amp; Wales</u>
	<u>Rural District</u>	
Live Birth Rate	21.45	18.2
Comparability Factor	0.98	
Corrected Birth Rate	21.0	
Still Birth Rate	14.9	17.2
Illegitimate Birth Rate	4.6 per cent.	

Deaths(All Causes)

		<u>Deaths(All Causes)</u>	
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Total	267	136	131
Infant Deaths	8	3	5
Neonatal Deaths	5	2	3
Early Neonatal Deaths	3	1	2
Maternal Deaths	0		

Death Rates

	<u>Kingsclere &amp; Whitchurch</u>	<u>England &amp; Wales</u>
	<u>Rural District</u>	
All Causes	10.86	12.2
Comparability Factor	1.15	
Corrected Rate	12.48	
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 total births	Nil	

Infant Mortality

	<u>Kingsclere &amp; Whitchurch</u>	<u>England &amp; Wales</u>
	<u>Rural District</u>	
Total Infant Mortality Rate	15.18	21.1
Legitimate Mortality Rate	15.9	
Illegitimate Mortality Rate	0	

Neonatal Mortality

	<u>Kingsclere &amp; Whitchurch</u>	<u>England &amp; Wales</u>
	<u>Rural District</u>	
Neonatal Mortality Rate	9.35	14.2
Perinatal Mortality Rate	20.6	29.3
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate	5.6	

(The Birth and Death Rates are calculated per 1000 of the population.

The Infantile and Neonatal Mortality Rates are calculated per 1000 live births.

The Still Birth and Perinatal Mortality Rates are calculated per 1000 total births  
live and still.

The Illegitimate Birth Rate is calculated as a percentage of total live births.)

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Vital Statistics

1. Live Births

Live births registered during 1963 amounted to 527, 274 males and 253 females.

The Live Birth Rate, corrected for age and sex distribution by the Registrar-General's comparability factor, was 21.0 per thousand population.

The rate for England and Wales was 18.2 per thousand.

2. Still Births

The number of still births was 8, giving a still birth rate of 14.9 per thousand births (live and still).

The figure for England and Wales was 17.2.

3. Deaths

The total number of deaths registered during 1963 amounted to 267, 136 males and 131 females.

This gives a local death rate, corrected by Registrar-General's comparability factor for age and sex distribution of 12.48 compared with 12.2 for England and Wales.

The Infant Mortality Rate was 15.18 compared with 21.1 for England and Wales.

Causes of Death

Heart Disease accounted for 109 deaths, 61 male and 48 females, and of these, 43 were due to coronary artery disease, 26 male and 17 female.

Apoplexy or Vascular Lesions of the Central Nervous System accounted for 38 deaths, 14 male and 24 females.

Cancer This caused 37 deaths, 18 male and 19 female, and cancer of the lung and bronchus caused 7 deaths, 6 male and 1 female.

Respiratory Diseases caused 27 deaths, 17 male and 10 female, and of these, 3 were due to influenza, 12 pneumonia and 11 bronchitis.

These were probably due to the very cold winter in the first three months of 1963.

Accidents accounted for 11 deaths, 5 male and 6 females, and of these 4 male deaths were due to motor vehicle accidents.

Suicide There was one death from suicide in a male.

#### Infantile Mortality

Eight deaths of infants under one year were recorded in 1963, giving an infantile mortality rate of 15.18 per thousand live births, compared with 21.1 for England and Wales.

#### Neonatal Mortality

Five deaths were recorded in the first month of life giving a Neonatal Mortality Rate of 9.35 per thousand live births.

#### Early Neonatal Mortality

Three deaths occurred in the first week of life giving an Early Neonatal Mortality Rate of 5.6 per thousand live births.

#### Perinatal Mortality

The Perinatal Mortality Rate which is the sum of the still births and the early neonatal deaths per thousand births (live and still) stands at 20.6 compared with 16.8 last year.

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Infectious Diseases

Infectious diseases notified in 1963 were high.

There were 404 cases of measles notified, 219 male and 185 female.

In addition there were 5 cases of Scarlet Fever 2 male and 3 female, 4 cases of Dysentery, 11 new cases of Respiratory Tuberculosis and 2 cases of Non-respiratory Tuberculosis.

At a farm in Stoke there was an infection in an infant of Salmonella ruiro and the mother also contracted the infection. I believe it was imported in bone meal which was given to sheep during the hard winter months. Later most of them aborted and this infection was found in both the sheep and cows on the farm. The Ministry of Agriculture dealt with this matter and now everything is back to normal.

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National Assistance Act, 1948 - Section 47

During 1963 with the approval of the Public Health Committee an old lady living at Overton was removed to Basing Road Hospital, Basingstoke. In spite of an order being signed by a Justice of the Peace she didn't object and appeared to be very happy to go to hospital when the ambulance arrived on 5th March , 1963.

Immunisation and Vaccination

During 1963, vaccination against poliomyelitis continued in all age groups up to 40 years of age, and in certain special groups of persons over that age, using the Sabin type oral vaccine, which is considerably easier to administer, and much more appreciated by infants and babies, and in addition, is considerably more potent and raises the immunity more quickly and is longer lasting.

All children who had had two injections of the Salk type vaccine then went on to a third dose of oral vaccine, and the Minister of Health also continued to encourage all children between the ages of five and twelve years to be given a fourth dose of oral vaccine, when they were at Primary schools.

The number of poliomyelitis vaccinations given during the year in the Rural District are given below:-

<u>Under 2 years</u>		<u>2 - 20 years</u>		<u>21 - 40 years</u>		<u>5 - 12 years</u>
<u>1st &amp; 2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>1st &amp; 2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>1st &amp; 2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>
<u>Doses</u>	<u>Doses</u>	<u>Doses</u>	<u>Doses</u>	<u>Doses</u>	<u>Doses</u>	<u>Doses</u>
19	372	2	115	3	126	613

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus

Immunisation against these three infections was continued using the popular triple antigen most frequently, although separate antigens were sometimes employed in a few instances against diphtheria and whooping cough either separately or together.



During the past few years occasional outbreaks of diphtheria have occurred, but the incidence of whooping cough has decreased considerably over the years. If diphtheria is to be kept under control it is of vital importance that not less than 70 per cent. of children should be fully protected both in infancy and during the years at school.

The numbers of immunisations done in the Rural District are set out in the Table in Appendix 'D'.

#### Vaccination Against Smallpox

The County Medical Officer informs me that 70 infants under 1 year were vaccinated during the year. This represents 13.3% of the total number of babies born during the year, as compared with 58.7% in 1962.

The numbers of vaccination given during the year are set out in Appendix 'D'.

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District Health Sub-Committee

The Andover and Kingsclere District Health Sub-Committee is really a Sub-Committee of the Health Committee of the Hampshire County Council, and as each District Council appoints three Councillors and also appoints two co-opted members who usually represent a voluntary organisation such as the N.V.S., the British Red Cross Society, or St. John's Ambulance Brigade, the Sub-Committee has available a considerable amount of valuable information concerning the three districts of which I am Medical Officer of Health.

Meetings are held in Andover and Kingsclere in eight months of the year. Reports are submitted on infectious diseases, births and deaths, registration and inspection of nurseries under Section 22 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, immunisation and vaccination against diphtheria, whooping cough, and poliomyelitis, midwifery and maternity services, home help services, district nurses' accommodation and 'meals on wheels' ; in which all three districts have a common interest.

In addition, the Sub-Committee makes decisions on such matters as decoration and repairs of nurses' houses, the appointment of district nurses and midwives, and the financial estimates for the Home Help Service; also such matters as the distribution of Welfare Foods and matters concerned with Child Welfare Centres.

The 'Meals on Wheels' service does not yet cover all three districts, but every year more of the area is covered, and the areas which at present are not covered are the Tadley and Baughurst areas in Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District, and Shipton Bellinger and South Tidworth in Andover Rural District. I hope before long the whole of the three districts will be served, as these meals are very valuable for elderly house-bound persons living on their own.

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Report of Chief Public Health Inspector

In the pages that follow, the wide field of environmental hygiene is reported on and discussed in detail by the Chief Public Health Inspector.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

Premises inspected under the Public Health Acts	236
Premises inspected under the Housing Acts	229
Inspection of houses for Improvement Grants	450
Complaints Investigated	86
Interviews with Owners	78
Revisits to Properties under Notice	7
Factories Acts	102
Factory Outworkers	3
Inspections of Workshops	19
Infectious Disease Enquiries	52
Infectious Disease Cases	1
Suspected Food Poisoning Cases	4
Food Poisoning Cases	22
Premises Disinfected	2
Premises Disinfested	12
Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960	94
Inspections in connection with Petroleum Acts	22
Inspections of Restaurant Kitchens	24
Inspections of Preserved Food Premises	6
Inspections of Food Stores	179
Inspections under the Shops Acts	68
Inspections of Butchers Shops	43
Inspections of Ice-cream Premises	143
Inspections of Bakehouses	25
Inspections of Fried Fish shops	16
Inspection of Dairies	6
Milk Samples	13
Milk Bottle Samples	18
Ice-cream and Other Food Samples	15
Inspections of Knackers Yards	27
Inspections of Private Slaughterhouses	5
Inspections in connection with Building Byelaws	2,794
Drain Testing	191
Sewage Works Samples	36
Sewage Samples	10
Miscellaneous Inspections	310
Water Samples	50
Faeces Samples	12
Swimming Pool Samples	7

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Housing

Number of routine inspections (Housing Act, 1957)	- 229
Number of houses inspected under the Public Health Act, 1936	- 236
Number of houses considered unfit for human habitation	- 5
Number of houses in which defects remedied due to informal action	- 10
Number of representations made to the Local Authority with a view to	
(a) the serving of notices requiring the execution of works	- 6
(b) the making of Demolition or Closing Orders	- 4
Number of notices served requiring the execution of works	- 6
Number of houses rendered fit after the service of Formal Notices	- 1
Number of Demolition or Closing Orders made	- 4
Number of houses in respect of which an undertaking was accepted under Sub-Section 3 of section 16 of the Housing Act, 1957	- 6
Number of houses demolished	- 13

Private Building

196 houses were completed by private enterprise building 1963, and they are situated as shown in the table below; the table also indicates the number of houses still under construction at the end of the year but commenced in 1963.

	<u>New Houses</u>	
	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Under Construction</u>
Baughurst	7	9
Burghclere	2	6
East Woodhay	12	12
Echinswell and Sydmonton	1	1
Highclere	3	-
Hurstbourne Priors	1	-
Kingsclere	62	46
Laverstoke	1	13
Overton	7	86
St. Mary Bourne	7	5
Tadley	88	142
Whitchurch	5	8
	<hr/> 196	<hr/> 328

Plans have also been approved for a further 309 houses, for the most part in the Parishes at Tadley, Kingsclere and Overton. Many of these houses will, no doubt, be commenced in 1964.

The following conversions, giving additional units of accommodation, were completed during the year:-

Tadley	3
Highclere	1
Hurstbourne Priors	2
East Woodhay	1

The remaining building works have been tabulated as "Alterations and additions to private dwellings" and "Miscellaneous" - the latter covering Agricultural Buildings, garages, schools, churches, etc.

	<u>Alterations &amp; Additions</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>
Ashmansworth	1	3
Baughurst	6	25
Burghclere	3	6
East Woodhay	2	5
Eechinswell & Sydmonton	1	1
Highclere	3	2
Hurstbourne Priors	2	3
Kingsclere	3	8
Laverstoke	1	1
Litchfield and Woodcott	2	1
Newtown	1	1
Overton	7	22
St. Mary Bourne	5	10
Tadley	51	100
Whitchurch	10	12
	<hr/> 98	<hr/> 200

Plans Submitted for Approval - Building Byelaws

(1)	Number of plans submitted for the erection of new houses	-	93
(2)	Number of houses proposed on the plans	-	281
(3)	Number of plans submitted for the alterations, extension, or modification of existing buildings	-	386
(4)	Total number of plans submitted	-	479
(5)	Number of plans refused	-	27
(6)	Number of plans not subject to Byelaw consent	-	3

Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958 - Discretionary Grants and Standard Grants

Number of applications received	Discretionary Grants = 39.	Standard Grants = 24	Total = 63
Number refused	Discretionary Grants = 7.	Standard Grants = -	Total = 7
Number approved	Discretionary Grants = 35.	Standard Grants = 26	Total = 61
Amount of grant involved	Discretionary Grants = £13,165	4s. 8d.	
	Standard Grants = £ 3,540	0s. 0d.	
Total		£16,705	4s. 8d.

Number of Grants for each Parish and amount involved:-

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Number of Improvement Grants</u>	<u>Number of Standard Grants</u>	<u>Amount of Improvement Grants</u>	<u>Amount of Standard Grants</u>
Ashmansworth	Nil	1	Nil	£125
Baughurst	2	3	£ 597 19s. 9d.	£385
East Woodhay	5	Nil	£1,554 10s. 2d.	Nil
Highclere	3	1	£1,664 0s. 0d.	£115
Hurstbourne Priors	Nil	2	Nil	£300
Kingsclere	7	3	£3,205 15s. 1d.	£485
Newtown	Nil	1	Nil	£155
Overton	2	4	£449 12s. 6d.	£505
St. Mary Bourne	4	1	£2,294 9s. 1d.	£155
Tadley	5	4	£1,545 10s. 7d.	£535
Whitchurch	7	6	£1,853 7s. 6d.	£780

Number of properties owner/occupied	Discretionary Grant = 18 :	Standard Grant =
	Total	=
Number of properties tenanted	Discretionary Grant = 17 :	Standard Grant =
	Total	=



Housing (Financial Provisions ) Act, 1958

Loans to purchase new and existing houses (From 1st January, 1963 -  
31st December, 1963.)

Number of loans approved for the purchase of new and existing properties = 50

Total amount involved = £97,617 0s. 0d.

Number of loans for existing properties = 33

Number of loans for new properties = 17

Amount involved for existing properties = £57,912 0s. 0d.

Amount involved for new properties = £39,705 0s. 0d.

Housing Progress 1963

The Council now own and control 1,376 dwellings.

56 new dwellings were completed during the period as follows:-

<u>Houses</u>	<u>Bungalows</u>	<u>Flats</u>	<u>Total</u>
42	2	12	56

Re-Housing During the Year

Vacancies in pre-1945 dwellings - 8

Vacancies in post-1945 dwellings - 35

New building allocations - 56

Transfers - 19

Exchanges - 7

125

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Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960

There are 14 licensed sites accommodating 2 or more caravans.

These sites are situated as follows:-

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>No. of Caravans</u>
Baughurst	Poplar Corner	2
Kingsclere	Maythorn, Headley	3
	Yew Tree Farm	2
	R/o. Swan Street	3
Overton	Alexander Road	5
	Waltham Road	8
St. Mary Bourne	Picket Piece	15
Tadley	Tadley Hill (2 sites)	7
	Mulfords Hill	2
	New Inn	2
	35 West Street	2
	Mount Pleasant	23
Whitchurch	Bere Hill Farm	8
Total Caravans on Sites =		<u>82</u>

The Mount Pleasant caravan site at Tadley is in the process of being run down.

Individual licensed caravans are situated as follows:-

<u>Parish</u>	<u>No. Licensed</u>
Baughurst	2
Burghclere	1
East Woodhay	2
Ecchinswell and Sydmonton	1
Kingsclere	13
Newtown	2
Overton	1
St. Mary Bourne	1
Tadley	6
Whitchurch	2
Total	<u>31</u>

Total licensed caravans in the district during 1963 was 113

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Food Supplies

Samples of Milk and Milk Containers

Milk

10 samples were taken, all of which were proved to be satisfactory.

Milk Containers

24 containers were submitted for testing with the following results:-

<u>No. of Bottles</u>	<u>Average Colony Count</u>	<u>Result/Action Taken</u>
6	6	Very Satisfactory
6	4	Very Satisfactory
6	6	Very Satisfactory
6	Nil	Very Satisfactory

Having regard to the fact that up to 600 colony counts per container is considered to be satisfactory, these results are extremely gratifying.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955, Section 16

There are 89 premises registered for the sale of pre-packed ice-cream and preparation and manufacture of sausages, and their distribution is as follows:-

Ashmansworth	1	Kingsclere	18
Baughurst	7	Newtown	1
Burghclere	3	Overton	11
East Woodhay	9	St. Mary Bourne	5
Eochinswell	3	Tadley	11
Highclere	2	Litchfield & Woodcott	1
Whitchurch	17		

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

Routine inspections were carried out and a number of minor contraventions brought to the notice of the owners concerned. No Statutory action was necessary and the general condition of food premises within the Rural District was found to be satisfactory.

Condemnation of Diseased and Unsound Food

5 lbs. 15 ozs. beans	6 lbs. corned beef	14 lbs. mutton
4 lbs. jellied veal	3 x 4 lbs. Globulus pork loin	

Food Premises Within the District

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Butchers Shops</u>	<u>Bake- Houses</u>	<u>Fried Fish Shops</u>	<u>Sausage Manufac- turers</u>	<u>Grocers &amp; Green Grocers</u>	<u>Cafes &amp; Restaurant Kitchens</u>	<u>Public Houses</u>
Ashmansworth	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Baugurst	1	-	-	-	6	-	5
Burgclere	-	1	-	-	4	1	3
East Woodhay	-	1	-	-	6	1	5
Bochniswell & Symdanton	-	-	-	-	3	1	1
Highclere	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Imurstbourne Priors	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Kingclere	2	2	1	2	14	5	7
Laverstoke	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Mitchfield & Woodcote	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Newton	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Overton	3	-	1	3	11	4	5
St. Mary Bourne	1	-	-	1	6	1	5
Tadley	3	-	1	1	14	2	4
Watlington	5	1	1	5	16	3	10
	15	5	4	12	86	22	49



Water Supplies

The results of samples taken during the year were as follows:-

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>			<u>Unsatisfactory</u>			<u>Totals</u>
	<u>Private</u>	<u>Public</u>	<u>Council Houses</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>Public</u>	<u>Council Houses</u>	
Baughurst	1	-	-	4	-	-	5
Burgholere	2	-	-	4	-	-	6
East Woodhay	2	-	-	5	-	-	7
Higholere	2	-	-	4	-	-	6
Kingsclere	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
Overton	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
St. Mary Bourne	4	-	-	6	-	-	10
Tadley	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
Whitchurch	2	2	-	-	-	-	4
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	14	2	-	27	-	-	43
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Swimming Pools

7 samples were taken from 2 school swimming pools during the year. 3 samples were found to be unsatisfactory, with the result that the Headmasters were advised to increase the chlorine dosage to give 0.5 ppm Min. Chlorine residual.

### Public Water Supplies

Up to 1st April, 1962 the Council were the Water Undertakers for the whole of the district with the exception of the Parish of Tadley. On the 1st April the Southampton Corporation Waterworks took over the Undertakings from the Council.

There are three pumping stations in the Rural District and these are situated At Kingsclere, Overton and Whitchurch.

The water is obtained from 6 boreholes, the quality of the water is good, although hard, being derived from the chalk.

The number of reservoirs in the district total nine and are situated as follows:-

Kingsclere	3	Total Capacity	300,000 gallons
Highclere	2	Total Capacity	335,000 gallons
East Woodhay	1	Total Capacity	100,000 gallons
Overton	1	Total Capacity	500,000 gallons
Whitchurch	2	Total Capacity	215,000 gallons

Total Storage Capacity 1,450,000 gallons

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Refuse

Refuse Collection and Disposal

The collection is "kerbside" in character and a weekly collection is made throughout the Rural District.

In the case of aged and infirm occupiers living on their own, arrangements are made upon request for the refuse bins to be collected from the back doors.

The Council's fleet of refuse freighters consists of five vehicles, details of which are given below:-

<u>Purchased</u>	<u>Type</u>
1948 1 Shelvoke & Drewry	- Chelsea type 11.3 Cub. yd. Capacity (Petrol)
1956 1 Shelvoke & Drewry	- Fore & Aft Tipper 18 Cub. yd. Capacity (Diesel)
1958 1 Shelvoke & Drewry	- Fore & Aft Tipper 18 Cub. yd. Capacity (Diesel)
1960 1 Shelvoke & Drewry	- Fore & Aft Tipper 18 Cub. yd. Capacity (Diesel)
1962 1 Shelvoke & Drewry	- Fore & Aft Tipper 12 Cub. yd. Capacity (Diesel)

(September)

The Chelsea type side loader is used as a standby vehicle and is also brought into use to cope with holiday periods.

The refuse is disposed of by burying in large disused pits but is first fired before being bull-dozed and covered, this reduces the fly and rat menace considerably, but a certain amount of treatment is also carried out to control both fly and rat menace.

The tips are situated at Juniper Down, Stoke; Cowdown, Hurstbourne Priors; Oxford Lane, Ashford Hill and Butley Bottom, Ashe. Fortunately, these tips are situated well away from any dwellings and the firing does not, therefore, cause any nuisance.

The labour force consists of 4 Loader-drivers, one spare Loader-driver, 8 Loaders and 2 Tip-men. Reserve labour being available from The Depot, Whitchurch.

The Rural District is divided into four areas for the purpose of refuse collection

Daily Work

Average tonnage of refuse collected daily	32 tons
Average number of refuse bins emptied daily	1,840 bins
Average number of miles travelled daily	178 miles

Weekly Work

Average tonnage of refuse collected weekly	160 tons
Average number of refuse bins emptied weekly	9,190 bins
Average number of miles travelled weekly	893 miles

Yearly Work

Average tonnage of refuse collected yearly	8,320 tons
Average number of refuse bins emptied yearly	477,880 bins
Average number of miles travelled yearly	46,421 miles

Salvage

Total amount of salvage collected:-

Paper	116 tons		
Flock	7 cwt.	Rags	3 tons. 15 cwt.
Scrap Metal	11 tons	Feathers	4 cwt.

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Sewage Disposal

There are three major sewage works in the Rural District, situated at Kingsclere, Overton and Whitchurch.

The Tadley Sewage Works are situated at Silchester, which is in the Rural District of Basingstoke.

Kingsclere Sewage Works, Union Lane, Kingsclere, deals with the sewage from the village of Kingsclere. These works are gravity fed. The volume of sewage dealt with during the year was 30,834,600 gallons.

Proposals are in hand to enlarge these works to sewer the village of Ecchinswell and discharge into the Kingsclere disposal plant.

Overton Sewage Works, Southington, deal with the sewerage from the villages of Overton and Freefolk. The sewage from Freefolk being pumped to the pumping station at Overton. The volume of sewage dealt with during the year was 58,050,000 gallons.

Whitchurch Sewage Works, off Winchester Road, Whitchurch, deals with the sewage from the village of Whitchurch. The pumping station is situated at the Council Depot, and the sewage is pumped from there to disposal works, where it is treated by broad land irrigation. The volume of sewage dealt with during the year was 47,230,000 gallons.

Tadley Sewage Works, Innams Copse, Silchester. These Works deal with the sewage from the village of Tadley, the A.W.R.E. Housing Estate in Baughurst, and the A.W.R.E. and their Housing Estates in the Rural District of Bradfield, Berkshire. The quantity of sewage dealt with during the year was 138,651,000 gallons.

It is estimated that the population served by main drainage is 11,000 and the population served by the small sewage disposal plants dealing with Council Estates 1,100 making a total of 12,100 on water borne drainage.



### Council House Disposal Plants

There is also a sewage works situated at Bishops Green, Ecchinswell, owned by the Air Ministry. These works take the domestic sewage from Greenham Common Airfield (situated in Berkshire) and the Council, by agreement, discharges the domestic sewage from some 100 dwellings at Bishops Green into these works.

In addition to these major sewage works there are 20 small sewage disposal plants dealing with sewage from the undermentioned Council House Sites:-

	<u>Number of Houses Served</u>
Ashmansworth	6
Ashford Hill - Holt Cottages	12
- Inhurst	8
Burghclere - Breachfield	54
Highclere - Penwood	18
- Highclere Street	6
Newtown - Jonathon Hill	14
East Woodhay - Copnor	12
- Tile Barn	28
St. Mary	
Bourne - Queens Cottages	4
- Fishers Field	12
- Stevens Green	21
- Swampton	5
- Batsford	6
- Stoke	4
Headley - Thornfield	18
Wolverton - Townsend	6
Ecchinswell	21
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The quantity of sewage treated by the above small plants annually is 9,307,500 gallons.

In the areas not served by main drainage, the drainage system is by a means of septic tanks, cesspools and earth or pail closets. In the Parishes of Hurstbourne Priors and St. Mary Bourne a night soil collection service is in operation.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Report for 12 months ended 31st December, 1963.

The inspection and treatment of dwelling houses, business and agricultural properties has been maintained throughout the year and in addition to the routine inspection and treatment of refuse tips and sewage works, surveys have been made and treatments carried out along roadside verges and in lay-bys.

General

- a) No charges are made for the treatment of dwelling houses;
- b) Charges for the treatment of business including agricultural properties are made on a material, labour and travelling plus administration cost basis;
- c) Premixed bait (oatmeal and warfarin) is made available at a reasonable cost to owners of agricultural properties who wish to carry out their own treatments.

Summary of Inspections & Treatments

	<u>Type of Property</u>		
	<u>Dwelling Houses</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Agricultural</u>
Total number of properties inspected	873	33	221
Total number found to be infested	485	22	152
Total number of visits, i.e. inspections, treatments and recovery	1,380	90	442

Total number of inspections and treatments of refuse tips, sewage works, roadside verges and lay-bys was 337

Materials Used	42 cwt. Medium Oatmeal
	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt. Warfarin 0.5%

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Storage of Petroleum

Licences to store petroleum spirit were issued to 98 applicants  
as follows:-

Ashmansworth	-	3
Baughurst	-	4
Burghclere	-	5
East Woodhay	-	7
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton	-	3
Highclere	-	7
Hurstbourne Priors	-	2
Kingsclere	-	16
Laverstoke	-	2
Newtown	-	2
Overton	-	13
St. Mary Bourne	-	14
Tadley	-	5
Whitchurch	-	15

The total amount of petroleum under licence within the district is  
152,100 gallons.

Game Licences

Number of licences issued during the year - 15

Factories

Paper Mills	2	Shoe Repair Shops	1
Soap Works	1	Blacksmiths Works	4
Garage and		Agricultural Engineers	Nil
Engineering	29	Dry Cleaners	1
Silk Mills	1	Bakeries	6
Joinery Works	10	Lime Kilns	1
Quilters	2		

Number of inspections made - 102.

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Rainfall - 1963

Two rain gauges are located in the Rural District and one at Silchester in the Rural District of Basingstoke. They are situated as follows:-

1. The Council Offices, Kingsclere.
2. The Tadley Sewage Works, Inhams Copse, Silchester.
3. The Council Depot, Whitchurch.

1. Rainfall Recorded at the Council Offices, Kingsclere

Total for the year	-	30.32
Wettest month - November	-	5.38
Driest month - February	-	0.68

The heaviest rainfall was on the 11th March when 1.35 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 157 days.

2. Rainfall Recorded at Tadley Sewage Works, Inhams Copse, Silchester

Total for the year	-	30.44
Wettest month - March	-	4.84
Driest month - February	-	0.52

The heaviest rainfall was on the 3rd August when 0.91 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 165 days

3. Rainfall Recorded at the Depot, Whitchurch

Total for the year	-	32.23
Wettest month - November	-	5.91
Driest month - February	-	0.65

The heaviest rainfall was on the 2nd September when 1.4 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 177 days.

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Inspection of FactoriesFactories Acts, 1937 - 1959

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health  
(including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector)

<u>Premises</u>	<u>Number on Register</u>	<u>Number of</u>		<u>Occupiers Prosecuted</u>
		<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Written Notices</u>	
(1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	-	-	-	-
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	64	129	3	-
(3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers premises)	19	25	-	-
<u>Total</u>	83	154	3	-

2. Cases in which defects were found

<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Number of cases in which defects were found</u>				<u>Number of Cases in which prosecutions instituted</u>
	<u>Found</u>	<u>Remedied</u>	<u>Referred To H.M. Inspector</u>	<u>By H.M. Inspector</u>	
Want of Cleanliness (S1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S3)	1	-	1	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Sanitary Conveniences (S7)</u>					
(a) Insufficient	2	2	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Total</u>	4	3	1	-	-

TuberculosisNew Cases and Transfers

<u>Age Periods</u>	<u>Respiratory</u>			<u>Non-Respiratory</u>		
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>Total</u>
0 -						
1 -				1		1
5 -					1	1
15 -	1	3	4			
25 -	4	4	8			
35 -	5		5			
45 -						
55 -	1		1			
65 & Upwards	2	1	3			
Age Unknown						
<u>Total</u>	13	8	21	1	1	2

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Cases on Tuberculosis Register on 31st December, 1963.  
(31st December, 1962. in brackets)

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Respiratory	88 (79)	75 (70)	163 (149)
Non-Respiratory	12 (12)	23 (22)	35 (34)
<u>Total</u>	100 (91)	98 (92)	198 (183)

The total number of cases on the Tuberculosis Register has increased by 15 as shown in the Second Table.

There were 14 new respiratory cases - 9 male and 5 female, and 2 non-respiratory cases - 1 male and 1 female, notified during 1963. 7 respiratory cases - 4 male and 3 female - were transferred from other districts.

4 respiratory cases left the area, 1 respiratory patient was notified as "cured" and in 1 further respiratory case the diagnosis was not established. There were 2 deaths - both males - 1 respiratory and 1 non-respiratory.

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Prevalence of and Control Over Infectious and Other Diseases

Final numbers according to sex and age after correction of cases of infectious and other notifiable diseases notified during the year ended 31st December, 1963:-

<u>Age Periods</u>	<u>Measles</u>			<u>Scarlet Fever</u>		
	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>
Under 1 year		2	2			
1 year	16	14	30			
2 years	21	18	39	1	1	
3 years	29	22	51			
4 years	27	23	50	1		1
5 - 9 years	107	85	192	2	2	
10 - 14 years	16	15	31			
15 - 24 years	2	3	5	1		1
25 and over	1	3	4			
Age Unknown						
<u>Total</u>	219	185	404	2	3	5

Whooping Cough

1 Female Aged 10-14 years

Pneumonia

1 Female Aged 45 - 64 years

Dysentery

1 Female aged 2 years  
1 Male aged 4 years  
1 Male aged 5 -9 years  
1 Female aged 25 and over

Food Poisoning

1 Male aged Under 5 years  
1 Female aged 15 - 44 years

Tuberculosis (New Cases Only)RespiratoryNon-  
Respiratory

	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>
Under 5 years				1		1
5 -14 years				1	1	1
15 -24 years	1	1	2			
25 -44 years	4	2	6			
45 -64 years	1		1			
65 & Over	1	1	2			
<u>Total</u>	7	4	11	1	1	2

Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunisations  
Completed During the Year 1963

APPENDIX 'D'

<u>Age at date of final primary injection (as regards Col.2) or of rein- forcing injection (as regards Col.3)</u>	<u>Number of Children who completed a full course of primary immunisation</u>	<u>Number of children who received a rein- forcing injection</u>
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Diphtheria alone

Under 1 year	-	-
1 - 4 years	-	-
5 - 14 years	-	2
<u>Total</u>	-	2

Diphtheria/Tetanus

Under 1 year	3	-
1 - 4 years	-	36
5 - 14 years	2	31
<u>Total</u>	5	67

Diphtheria/Whooping Cough/Tetanus

Under 1 year	135	-
1 - 4 years	235	73
5 - 14 years	5	83
<u>Total</u>	375	156

Vaccinations (Smallpox)

<u>Number Vaccinated</u>	<u>Under 1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2-4</u>	<u>5-14</u>	<u>15 &amp; Over</u>	<u>Total</u>
1st January-30th June	24	14	6	7	7	58
1st July-31st December	46	46	6	4	5	107

Number Re-Vaccinated

1st January-30th June	2	13	28	43
1st July-31st December	1	5	92	98

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Table of DeathsAPPENDIX 'E'

	<u>Male</u>		<u>Female</u>		<u>Total</u>	
Tuberculosis, respiratory	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Tuberculosis, other	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Syphilitic Disease	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Diphtheria	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Whooping Cough	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Meningococcal Infections	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Acute poliomyelitis	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Measles	0	(0)	1	(0)	1	(0)
Other infective and parasitic diseases	1	(0)	1	(1)	2	(1)
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	(1)	2	(0)	5	(1)
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	6	(8)	1	(1)	7	(9)
Malignant neoplasm, breast	0	(0)	3	(7)	3	(7)
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	0	(0)	3	(2)	3	(2)
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	9	(11)	10	(11)	19	(22)
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	3	(1)	1	(1)	4	(2)
Diabetes	0	(0)	2	(2)	2	(2)
Vascular lesions of nervous system	14	(16)	24	(13)	38	(29)
Coronary disease, angina	26	(26)	17	(10)	43	(36)
Hypertension with heart disease	0	(2)	2	(5)	2	(7)
Other heart disease	30	(19)	25	(21)	55	(40)
Other circulatory disease	5	(4)	4	(1)	9	(5)
Influenza	2	(0)	1	(0)	3	(0)
Pneumonia	6	(6)	6	(6)	12	(12)
Bronchitis	8	(5)	3	(3)	11	(8)
Other diseases of respiratory system	1	(0)	0	(0)	1	(0)
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	0	(4)	1	(1)	1	(5)
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	(0)	0	(0)	1	(0)
Nephritis and neprosis	0	(0)	1	(0)	1	(0)
Hyperplasia of prostate	4	(0)	0	(0)	4	(0)
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Congenital malformations	2	(0)	3	(1)	5	(1)
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	9	(8)	14	(8)	23	(16)
Motor vehicle accidents	4	(4)	0	(1)	4	(5)
All other accidents	1	(3)	6	(2)	7	(5)
Suicide	1	(2)	0	(0)	1	(2)
Homicide and operations of war	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
All Causes	136	(120)	131	(97)	267	(217)

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Health Visitors

Mrs. A. Mathis

Miss E. Brady

Miss N. White

District Nurse/Midwives

Bourne Valley - District Nurse/Midwife

Mrs. M. R. Brookes

Kingsclere

Mrs. J. Dann

Burghclere

Miss M. G. Wells

Highclere - District Nurse/Midwife/Health Visitor

Miss E. I. Stynes

Overton

Mrs. A. Marner

Tadley

Miss O. M. Jepps

Mrs. E. M. L. Smith

Whitchurch

Mrs. A. R. Lockey

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Child Welfare Clinics

Burghclere	Parish Hall	1st Tuesdays
Burnham Copse	Community Centre	Each Wednesday
Kingsclere	The Club	1st & 3rd Thursdays
Overton	St. Mary's Hall	1st & 3rd Fridays
Tadley	Memorial Hall	2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Whitchurch	Church Hall	2nd Fridays
Ecchinswell	Village Hall	3rd Tuesdays
Ashford Hill	Village Hall	3rd Tuesdays
Woolton Hill	Parish Hall	3rd Wednesdays

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